

REMARKS:

The Office action set forth a restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between the following groups of invention:

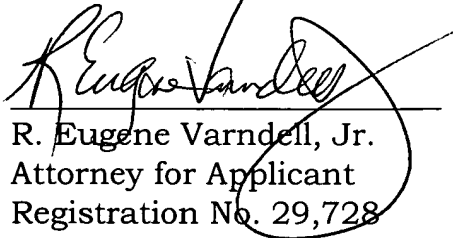
- I. Claims 1, 4-7, and 14, drawn to a flaky isotropic SmFeN magnetic-material having a thickness of 10 to 40 microns and a bonded magnet made from the claimed SmFeN material, classified in class 148, subclass 301.
- II. Claims 9-13 and 15-18, drawn to a method of making a flaky isotropic SmFeN magnetic-material by melt spinning a melt of the alloy, annealing the alloy powder and nitriding the annealed alloy powder, classified in class 148, subclass 122.

Applicant hereby elects the group I invention, which includes claims 1, 4-7, and 14 for examination on the merits without traverse. Applicant hereby reserves the right to file a divisional application directed to the nonelected group II, including claims 9-13 and 15-18.

The foregoing is believed to be a complete and proper response to the Official action mailed July 12, 2005. While it is believed that all the claims in this application are in condition for allowance, should the examiner have any comments or questions, it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be telephoned at the below listed number to resolve any outstanding issues.

In the event this paper is not timely filed, applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee therefor, as well as any other fees which become due, may be charged to our deposit account No. 22-0256.

Respectfully submitted,  
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